

REMARKS

The Office Action in the above-identified application has been carefully considered and this amendment has been presented to place this application in condition for allowance.

Accordingly, reexamination and reconsideration of this application are respectfully requested.

Claims 144, 146-147, 149-152, 154, 156 and 158-163 are in the present application. It is submitted that the claims, as originally presented, were patentably distinct over the prior art cited by the Examiner, and that these claims were in full compliance with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 112. The changes to the claims as presented herein, are not made for the purpose of patentability within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. sections 101, 102, 103 or 112. Rather, these changes are made simply for clarification and to round out the scope of protection to which Applicants are entitled.

Claims 144, 146-147, 149-152, 154, 156 and 158-163 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Taniguchi et al. (U.S. Patent 6,192,183). However, the present invention has a “display means for displaying a table of horizontally aligned rows and vertically aligned columns, said table including at least textual indicia identifying said plurality of clips as being material clips or resultant clips including those clips subjected to said processing to produce said first resultant clip, and said indicia indicating the modules used to process said clips, said table further identifying the second resultant clip produced as a result of processing performed on said first resultant clip, and indicating the type of processing performed thereon, said table further indicating a duration of said plurality of clips and having an enable/disable flag for each of said plurality of clips.” (Claim 162; Claim 163 contains a similar limitation) An

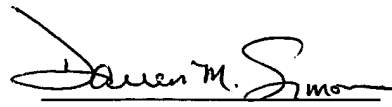
example of this table displayed by the claimed display means is illustrated in Fig. 13, and described at the last paragraph of page 74 through the first paragraph of page 79, of the present application. The Examiner contends the present invention's table is met by Taniguchi's index management tables shown in Figures 7-8 and 12A-B. (Office Action page 3) However, Taniguchi does not disclose identifying clips as being "material clips or resultant clips" as recited in the present claims. (Column 7, Lines 18-52) Further, Taniguchi's table does not indicate "the modules used to process said clips" as required in the present invention. Also, Taniguchi fails to disclose "an enable/disable flag for each of said plurality of clips" as in the present table. Therefore, for at least these reasons, Taniguchi fails to anticipate the present invention and the rejected claims should now be allowed.

In view of the foregoing amendment and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the application as now presented is in condition for allowance. Early and favorable reconsideration of the application are respectfully requested.

No additional fees are deemed to be required for the filing of this amendment, but if such are, the Examiner is hereby authorized to charge any insufficient fees or credit any overpayment associated with the above-identified application to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

If any issues remain, or if the Examiner has any further suggestions, he/she is invited to call the undersigned at the telephone number provided below. The Examiner's consideration of this matter is gratefully acknowledged.

Respectfully submitted,
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